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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
 Applicant must submit \$ 375 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.
- The oath or declaration is missing.

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Additional claim fees of \$156 as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are
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SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$596 for a Small Entity

• \$375 Statutory basic filing fee.

• \$65 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$156
 - \$72 for 8 total claims over 20.
 - \$84 for 2 independent claims over 3.

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